

TO END CUTBACKS:

FOUR HUNDRED MARCH

MONTREAL (CUP) — Over four hundred students marched through Montreal to Premier René Levesque's office in the Hydro-Quebec building yesterday to demand an end to educational cutbacks and police intervention in the province's schools.

Students came primarily from schools where there has been recent unrest: CEGEP Vieux Montreal, CEGEP Andre Laurendeau, CEGEP Rosemont, CEGEP Montmorency and the Université du Québec à Montreal. Protesters carried banners denouncing police interference into schools and chanted slogans proclaiming the "solidarity" of all the various delegations.

The unrest at CEGEP Vieux Montreal centres around student payment for needed printed materials, the absence of an office for the college's student council and administration's plans to reduce enrolment.

Two student occupations at the CEGEP last month were broken up by police, as were two occupations at Montreal's CEGEP Andre Laurendeau the previous week. Students there are demanding completion of a promised sports complex.

Students at Vieux Montreal plan an all-day assembly on March 9 to form a "common front" between teachers, technicians and students. The administration's plan to reduce enrolment, said Vieux Montreal student leader France Cloutier, will mean the loss of jobs for teachers and technicians. "We need to make clear the link between the right to education and the right to work," she explained.

Spokespersons for the delegations from CEGEP Montmorency in Quebec City and CEGEP Rosemont in Montreal told the protesters at the Hydro Quebec building that they had been active last semester in opposing cutbacks at their schools and had joined the march "in solidarity" with the other delegations.

Economics students from UQAM said they were on strike because of the university's refusal to hire more professors qualified to teach Marxist economics, to fire a professor who is considered "incompetent" and to provide economics textbooks in French.

Among the slogans were "Parti Quebecois, Parti Bourgeois". Spokespersons from each delegation denounced the Levesque government at the rally. François Desbiens, secretary-treasurer of ANEQ, said

after the rally there was a lot of disenchantment among students with the Parti Quebecois.

ANEQ is particularly critical of the government; particularly of its refusal to implement promised free tuition and its decision to impose differential fees for foreign students.

One Vieux-Montreal student following the rally told CUP that besides direct police intervention, the most effective repressive tactic used to squelch student activism is a provincial directive which allows CEGEP administrations to expel students for non-academic reasons. Assistant Deputy Education Minister André Rousseau has said of the directive, "If someone doesn't meet the standards of the collectivity, we put him out."

ANEQ spokesperson Daniel Pauquet called the directive a "discriminatory measure" which was devised under the former Liberal regime but only came into effect last spring under the PQ government. He doubts the Levesque government will remove the ruling unless there is strong pressure from students to do so. Don Hall, Dawson College director of student services however, called the directive "mythical" and said neither he nor his colleagues in other CEGEPs have received it. But, he admitted to receiving a letter from the Ministry of Education giving administrations the power to expel students whose eligibility at a CEGEP may be in question.

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ANEQ urges solidarity

by Daniel Boyer

The Quebec Student organization ANEQ urged all students to pool their resources to fight "repression" in schools and to insure "the right to education for all".

Spokespeople from various colleges and universities presented their grievances during a special press conference yesterday in Montreal.

Financial cutbacks implemented recently by the Ministry of Education have struck the CEGEPs André Laurendeau and Vieux Montreal. At André Laurendeau, students are demanding the building of sporting facilities which originally included in the design the CEGEP.

At Vieux-Montreal CEGEP the fight is over administration



A group of McGill students are organizing a committee to oppose differential fees for foreign students. There will be a meeting next Wednesday in Union room 310 at 1 pm for all those interested in joining or finding out more about it. If you are a foreign student, if you are concerned with the quality of education at McGill, or if you oppose discrimination in education, you should attend.

Two-tier fees announce hike

by Jennifer Robinson

The implementation of differential fees is only the first stage in increasing fees for all students, Chris Allnutt of the Ontario Federation of Students told McGill students on Tuesday. Speaking at an open meeting on differential fees, Allnutt explained that in Ontario and Alberta, where differential fees were imposed last year,

tuition increases for all students were imposed shortly afterwards. He said that foreign students were the most vulnerable, thus first to be hit with increases.

In Alberta, University of Lethbridge students are protesting tuition hikes in the streets. Students have circulated petitions and have distributed pamphlets explaining the

effects of the hikes. "If tuition continues to rise, you and your children's ability to attend the institutions you pay for will be severely limited. You will be paying taxes so that only the elite can go to university", the pamphlets explain.

If Allnutt's analysis is correct, Quebec students will be facing tuition increases by 1979. The Parti Quebecois platform, however, promises free university tuition for all residents but Minister of Education Jacques-Yvan Morin has said that free tuition will not be implemented before his putative re-election.

However, Allnutt claimed during the meeting that the Quebec government's actions were too similar to the Conservative governments of both Ontario and Alberta to point to anything other than increased tuition for all students.

The same excuses for the implementation of differential fees were given by the Quebec government and the Alberta and Ontario governments. All three claimed that cutbacks must take place in education to enable reallocation in other social service areas.

Allnutt doubted the Quebec government would follow a path different from that of the two other provinces. He explained that education was one of the easier cutback targets when money is tight.

quotas on new students and the reopening of the Marie-Victorin building to accommodate the growing student population. Students are also demanding office space and a budget for their students' society.

Spokespeople for both CEGEPs said that students at both institutions are still upset and not about to forget the "not so peaceful means" used by the police to end student occupations last month.

Representatives of the Université du Québec à Montréal reported that the economics students' strike at their institution is still far from being settled. However, on February 27, UQAM students accepted to negotiate on two of their four demands. The study week claim will be subject to arbitration by

the *conseil de module* and a joint student-professor committee was set up to investigate the language question in the economics department.

Students remain intransigent on their demand to hire a professor qualified to teach Marxist theory and to rescind the contract of any member of the teaching staff deemed incompetent by students.

Administration response to the softening of the students' position has been positive but administration spokespeople specified that a new professor cannot be hired without ratification from school's administrative council. ANEQ urged all students to participate in yesterday's demonstration, which drew a crowd of 400 people in front of the Premier Levesque's downtown Montreal office.

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Private industry wastes all our energy

by Roy Johnstone

of the United

The latest economic recession with its high unemployment is another indicator that something is amiss in this great country of ours. Trudeau would have us believe that "the guilty people is everyone and each one of us." But is he right?

The energy crisis is a major symptom of this unhealthy state that we find ourselves in and its analysis provides an answer to the question: Are the guilty people really you and I?

Did we have any choice about the energy efficiency of the place we live in? Did we really have any choice about the type of heating system that came with the place that we really didn't have any choice about? Did we really have any choice about the displacement of labour by machines which consume gross quantities of energy? When Trudeau points the finger at Ladco, Qualico, BACM

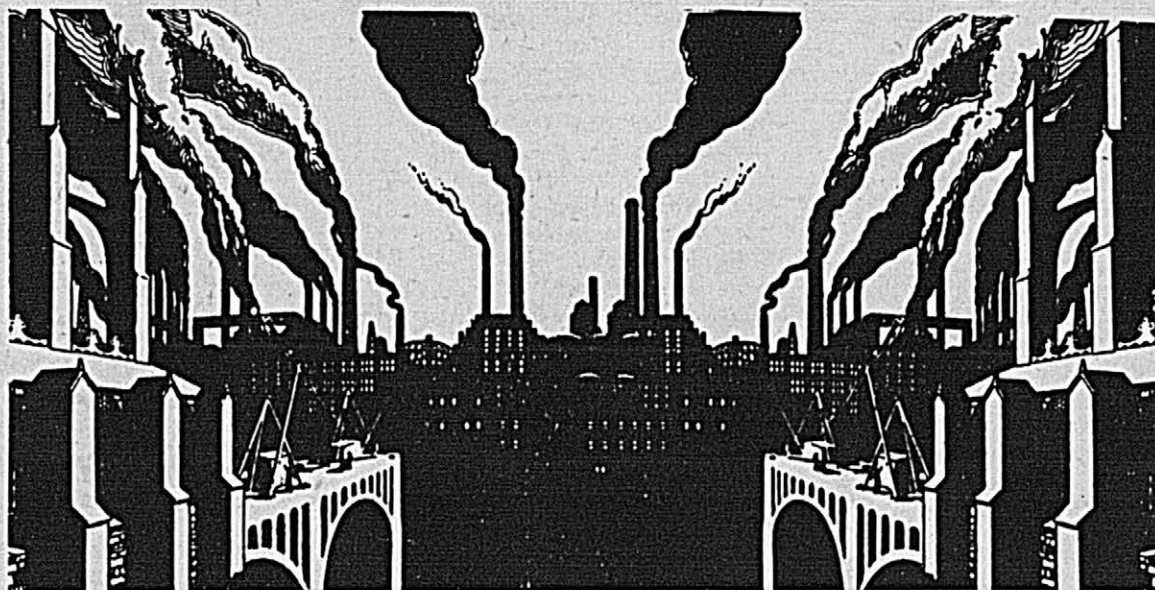
or when he points the finger at INCO, Falconbridge or Shell Oil or at the Federal government he will have diagnosed the real reasons for our present economic state.

Granted, he does have a small point, as consumers we can save a little energy here and there but the major inefficiencies in energy production, distribution and consumption are related to the control big business and big government have had over the supply of energy in housing, transportation, agriculture and industry.

Rather than write a long monologue documenting the collusion of government and industry in the "energy game" I have prepared the Energy Myths; seven lies that have determined who pays and who profits in the energy industry.

Myth I

We must have increased growth in energy production and consumption in order to



maintain or increase employment.

In fact quite the reverse is true. Energy often displaces jobs. As industry becomes more highly mechanized energy is substituted for labour to increase profits. Compare the

capital investments required to provide employment in various American industries (large capital investments to a large degree reflect high energy inputs).

Another argument against attempting to sustain an exponential rate of energy growth of a finite energy source (uranium-based fission or fossil fuels) is that as you approach exhausting your supply, prices will rise exponentially. It's obvious we cannot afford an exponential rise in the cost of energy.

The Ford Foundation (one would think a conservation group) did a study entitled a *Time to Choose* which concluded that an adjustment to a less energy intensive economy would not reduce employment, in fact, employment would increase. Why is government not investing the money that is presently being expended on large scale, capital intensive projects such as hydro, nuclear, tar sands and northern pipelines

into the deployment of energy-conserving industries and technologies which would create considerable more jobs per dollar invested? This would also reduce considerably the large outflow of capital presently being lost on loans and interest payments. These losses are placing heavy burdens on the taxpayer.

Myth II

It is necessary, to maintain our present standard of living, that we consume the quantities of energy that we presently consume.

There are no grounds to support this statement. North Americans waste more energy than is used by 2/3 of the world's population. If we reduced the inefficiencies in energy production and distribution we could maintain the same standard of living on half the energy we presently consume, and if we wanted to lead more healthy and fulfilling lives

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Québec sait faire:

Culture fabric threadbare

by Andrew Porter

News of the content of Camille Laurin's White Paper on culture leaked out this week despite efforts to keep the controversial document secret until the cabinet could agree on its orientation.

The White Paper's main goal

is to improve the cultural fabric of Québec society and to do this recommends the safeguarding and strengthening of Québec institutions.

The document has been under heavy criticism since cabinet ministers began to review it about a month ago.

Some cabinet members have disagreed with its definition of culture and the extent to which the state has a role in developing it. Other PQ sources have said that the paper may be unappealing to Quebecers because of its recommendations on improving lifestyles.

The document also recommends the use of government funds to set up a news service which would better serve Québec's newspapers. René Lévesque and Laurin have apparently disagreed on plans to provide an alternative news service. Lévesque fears that legislation in that area will be seen as interventionist. This has been one of the major reasons for delaying its release.

The controversial paper points out cultural differences between Québec and Canada and contains an analysis of Québec's cultural history. The paper will have a dual purpose, according to PQ members, as a framework for future legislation and to provide information essential in the referendum battle. This information is vital to counter the "army of researchers currently working in Ottawa on anti-independence arguments," said another péquist.

The Paper is basically a "Blueprint" for future legislation and its implementation will take a slow course over more than 10 years.

The Paper's strong independence-oriented policies have already brought unfavourable reactions from the Anglophone press. A recent article in *Maclean's* calls the Paper a "Declaration of Independence."

American prof:

Fights illiteracy

NEW YORK (CUP) — An English professor at New Jersey's Glassboro State College is waging his own war against bad language by publishing *The Underground Grammarian* monthly and anonymously from the basement of his home.

Richard Mitchell outlined the purpose of his publication in its first issue: "Clear language engenders clear thought, and clear thought is the most important benefit of education... Every month, *The Underground Grammarian* will publish examples of indecent exposure — unseemly public displays of bad English at Glassboro."

Mitchell found plenty of material among the memos and written work of the college's 600 teachers and administrators — only students are immune — and has guaranteed some success by including the names and salaries of offend-

ers alongside quoted examples of bad writing.

College president Mark Chamberlain has been frequently quoted in the 1200-circulation publication since it first appeared a year ago. In a recent issue, one of his letters made the front page, under the headline "Mark Chamberlain writes again!" It read:

"Even in the most quantitative subjects there is some error or at least a lack of reproducibility in the termination of scores on any one examination; in subject areas in which more subjective determinations are made, this lack of reproducibility is exacerbated."

Rather than attempt to dissect the prose, *The Grammarian* quoted Ben Jonson: "Neither can his mind be thought to be in tune, whose words do jarre; nor his reason in frame, whose sentence is preposterous."



After Bill 101's roasting in the Anglophone press, Camille Laurin's newest project, "Le Livre Blanc sur la Culture" is beginning to receive much of the same treatment.

Letters

Law School won't come easy To the Daily:

I am quite amazed at the howls of protest that have erupted from the McGill Daily as a result of last night's decision of the Students' Society. The proposed changes to the Publications Board bylaw are not as terrible as the Daily makes them out to be.

The only difference between the original proposal and the change to that proposal is that Council would have to approve the McGill Daily budget after the budget has been approved by the Publications Board. Once Council approval is given to the budget, the Publications Board would then have sole and final approval over said budget. This is precisely what the Daily wishes (the sole and final authority of the Publications Board).

As a point of interest to the readers of the paper. The present setup at the University of Toronto stipulates that the Publications Board will have final approval over the finances of the university's newspaper only after the Students' Council at U of T has passed the budget. So the proposal made last night at Council is not extraordinary, it was not un-called-for, and has proved workable at one of the biggest university's in the country. I see no reason why it would not be workable at McGill.

I find it inconceivable that the individuals who drafted this amendment did not anticipate any changes in the body of the amendment. After all, Council is the elected representative body of the McGill student population. It is there to make decisions — not to rubber stamp the wishes of the seven "chosen" individuals who drafted the amendment.

In closing I would like to point out that the changes to the budgetary process introduced at Council last night were the work of two members of the Executive. They were drafted by myself with the help of Mr. Wiener. The changes that I proposed bringing to Council's attention in the event that the original form would be defeated, were the changes that Mr. Wiener eventually proposed.

Phil Gertler
Treasurer,
McGill Students' Society.

Ed note: The howls of protest are warranted, Mr. Gertler.

Your assumption that because a system exists at "one of the biggest university's (sic) in the country", it can work at McGill, is not only naive, but incorrect.

The Daily contacted the U of T student newspaper, The Varsity, last night to find out if in fact their system is as workable as you think.

Editor-in-chief Mario Cutajar informed us that it is not workable. The Varsity system

"makes you aware that financial autonomy from Students' Council is beneficial," he explained. Cutajar said that the Council uses their financial power "whenever possible to interfere with the operation of the paper." By controlling the subsidy, he added, Council controls the number of issues The Varsity can publish, the number of pages-per-issue they publish, and the ratio between the number of ad pages and copy pages the paper can print.

Cutajar added that a body with a total lack of understanding of the print business, such as a students' council, should not and cannot have anything to do with a student newspaper, if that paper is to operate efficiently.

Mr. Gertler, had you bothered to substantiate your claim with fact before making a claim to fame, your argument might carry some weight.

Visions of René

To the Daily:

On Tuesday, February 28th, the McGill Students' Society held an open meeting on the government's proposed differential fees policy. The government was represented at this meeting by Gerard Godin, PQ MNA from Mercier, who through his ignorance on such matters as foreign student labour rights, and further their tax responsibilities, and their rights as persons domiciled in Quebec, turned what could have been an excellent debate into a discussion plagued with misinformation.

Following in the tradition of his "captain", Premier René Lévesque, Godin "promised" to look into several matters in which he claimed ignorance. Other Lévesque tactics such as pledging to return at a later date with full information, and further the practice of redirecting questions were utilized excellently by Godin.

Thus, the meeting served one major purpose, the reaffirmation that the PQ government is concerned solely with "politics" and that if practical, just legislation comes about, it will be a by-product of their petty political games.

Stephen Rosenhek
Faculty of Arts

Ed note: Just a point of information — differential fees are no longer proposed. They were accepted by the cabinet two weeks ago.

If you were at the Levesque speech, you probably noticed that the premier promised to return with full information as well.

Every politician has a line similar to that one. They're all alike anyway.

Yes, but we got in trouble To the Daily:

What a great front page article on McGill moving to Ontario! Gee, ya really put it to Moron with them quotes.

More important, it's nice to see people sit back and laugh

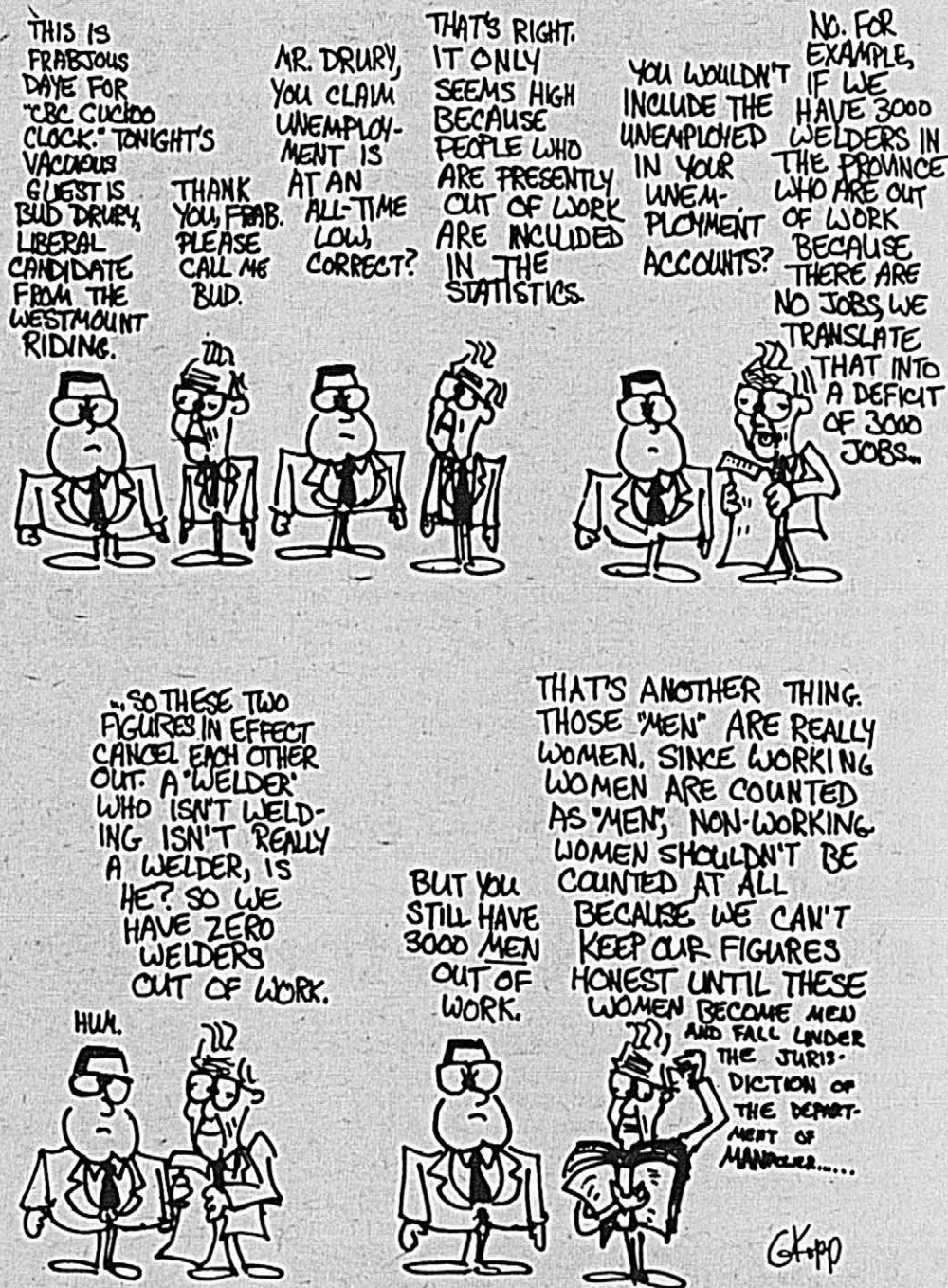
once in a while. Everybody, writers and readers alike, need it at this time of year. See you next year.

Chip Chipworth

To see ourselves as others see us

To the Daily:

In response to the issue "Open Letter To All Engineers" on Monday. As far as I am concerned, I expect Engineers are the most energetic people to develop new technologies for the benefit of mankind, that is why I agree to the suggestion of Mr. Loke Hoon Boo that some films or slide-shows about the miserable and disastrous slummy conditions in many places in the world be shown during the Engineering Week. I haven't been to the "Engineering Queen Contest" for three years, and I wanted to know what it is all about before I leave McGill. I found it perverted; those girls participated in the contest and the audience talked with sexy language and one boy dressed up as a girl in a ridiculous way. All these will give a very bad reputation to others that Engineers are sex-hungered ani-



mals. It's really a shame on us. If we want to be respected by others, especially the Engineering queens, we have to respect ourselves in the first place.

The robbery of 3 beer trucks seems to be a great victory of our Engineers, but are we, professional people, supposed to do something that will ruin our conduct?

Posting of the sticker "Love a McGill Engineer" in the wom-

en's washroom is another "brave" action done by our Engineers. We will get a complaint of not giving respect and privacy to others; in fact, we did get it. Do we have self-respect? Do we want privacy ourselves? Engineers should be great and have a good reputation. Engineers should have great concern for others. Right?

Joseph Cheung
Mech Eng U3

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Canadian corporations:**Trample on human rights**

by Wendy Lythgoe

Hugo Blanco, a former Peruvian revolutionary, spoke to McGill students last Tuesday night on the violation of human rights in Latin America.

The blame for the misery of the Latin American people lies in the semi-colonial economic structures, allowing the continued exploitation of Latin America by imperialist countries, Blanco said. He elaborated that the US has actively opposed reformist governments and political movements throughout Latin America, in order to protect the profits of large American corporations. For Latin Americans, such action signifies an increase in repression, higher unemployment, lower wages, and a decrease in quality and availability of social services.

Blanco added that the existence of repression and torture does not mean that Pinochet and other dictators are blood-thirsty generals. Rather it is a symptom of the present economic structures binding Latin America. He demonstrated the direct relationship between the amount of investment going into a country, and the level of repression existing in that country at any given time.

Blanco explained that Chile in 1964, when human rights were not badly violated, yielded lower corporate profits. In 1970

when there was an improvement in human rights, companies such as Noranda withdrew their capital, and in 1973 when violations of human rights increased sharply after the military coup, there was an immediate increase in corporate investments.

With corporations such as Brascan in Brazil, Inco in Guatemala, Bata in Peru, and Noranda in Chile, Canada is the second largest investor in Latin America, Blanco stated. According to Blanco, since the coup in Chile Canada has invested 1 billion dollars in that country. Canadian banks such as the Royal Bank of Canada, the Bank of Nova Scotia, and the Bank of Commerce in collaboration with American banking institutions, have loaned Chile the money it needed to pay off its European debts incurred before the coup.

Blanco also said that while the Canadian government has criticized the Pinochet regime, its actions have contradicted such verbal disapproval. The Canadian government guarantees investments in Chile through the Export Development Corporation, and has also supported World Bank and IMF loans to Chile which have amounted to a total of 631 million dollars since the coup.

Blanco stressed that Canadians can effectively protest violations of human rights. European solidarity is strong for

this cause, he said. Workers refuse to unload Chilean copper and crippling boycotts are directed against store owners who display Chilean goods.

Blanco explained how his own life was saved by an International Solidarity Campaign and emphasized how effective such actions can be. Suggesting four ways in which Canadians can help the human rights situation in Latin America, Blanco urged Canadians to stop the Canadian government from helping those companies investing in Latin American countries with highly repressive regimes. Also to demand the release of political prisoners and that those exiled from their native countries be allowed to return. Demand that political asylum be given to those dissidents escaping repression in their own countries can also improve the situation, he concluded.

Blanco himself hopes to be allowed back in Peru to participate in the 1978 elections, the first to be held in that country for the past 15 years.

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Around Campus**Massacre in Iran continues**

The recent events in Iran have culminated to a peak as the Iranian people continue determinedly to oppose the Shah's oppressive regime.

According to the international newspapers in the past week, hundreds have been killed and injured in a demonstration held in Tabriz by the Shah's army in open firing. More violent resistance has followed as the army has continued to establish martial law and a curfew. Many banks, movie theaters, shops, buildings and properties belonging to imperialist companies have been destroyed by Tabriz demonstrators.

The main thrust behind these events has been, on one hand the continuation of events that occurred on January 11, 1978 in Qom where many people were killed by the Shah's army in a peaceful demonstration and on the other hand, the people are demanding the return of a 15-year exiled Moslem leader — Ayatollah Khomeini. The Iranian people above all are demanding an end to the Shah's puppet regime and American imperialism.

Thus to support the cause, the Iranian Moslem Student Organization is staging a 7 day Hunger Strike in Washington DC and on the last day, today, a demonstration in Lexington, Ann Arbor and Montreal.

We demand all the freedom-loving people to express their solidarity with the Iranian People and to participate in our demonstration in Montreal today, starting at 2 pm at deMaisonneuve and Guy.

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Faculty of Music free concerts: Pollack Concert Hall 8:30 pm: The Mount Royal Brass Quintet. Works by Holborne, Gabrieli, Calvert, Schuller, Ewald, Ie-Jeune. Recital Room C209 8:30 pm: Susan DaSle clarinet, assisted by Madeleine Mercy viola, Carl Urquhart piano, Tim Hutchins flute. Works by Mozart, Wagner, Karg-Elert, Villa-Lobos.

McGill Film Society:

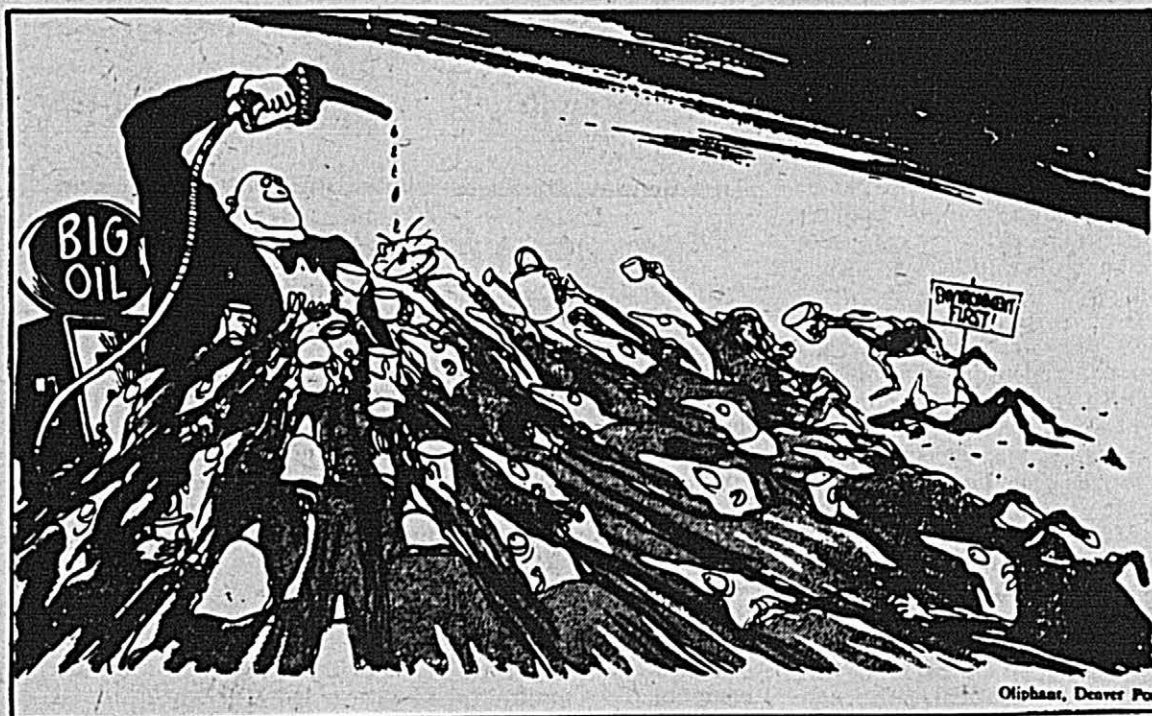
Tonight, Marquise d'O, at 7 and 9:30 in FDAA, admission: \$1. Contrary to popular belief, this is not a dirty movie.

McGill Hellenic Association:

An evening of Greek music organized by our club, at 7:30 pm in room 301 of Union Bldg. Admission \$1.00. Free coffee and cookies. Live music from friends and members of our club.

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Energy...

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we could reduce our consumption by another half and increase employment so that more people would be able to live more creative and rewarding lives. Consider countries such as Sweden and Germany which have similar levels of Gross National Production per person with almost half the energy expenditure and less unemployment.

It has also been argued that the development of appropriate technologies could transform the trivial, meaningless exploitation of human resources that presently exists into more rewarding and creative human activities in which the participants have identified and defined the necessity of the work they are doing.

Alternative technologies have been defined by E.F. Schumacher, author of *Small is Beautiful* as those which create:

- (1) Work places in the areas where people now live and not in centralized locations.
- (2) Work places which are scaled so that people of the community can run and operate them and maintain economic viability.
- (3) Work places which respond to the needs of the community in which they are located.
- (4) Work places which maximize locational resources both human and physical.

Myth III

Energy consumption is increasing because there are more people.

This Malthusian concept has totally ignored the great disparity in energy consumption between the "haves" and the "have nots". It, in fact is not supported by empirical data. For example in Manitoba, between 1961-1971 the total energy growth was 58% while the population only increased 7%. Comparing this to Canada we find that for the same period energy growth was 77% and population growth was 19%. Manitobans are increasing energy consumption considerably

faster than the per capita national increase and for electricity the rate is almost twice the national average.

Manitoba Hydro would have you believe that the electrical generating capacity they are constructing is a response to a consumer demand but in actuality hydro has been creating the demand. I would like to draw your attention to a brief article from the Manitoban Coalition for Nuclear Responsibility's tabloid entitled *Nuclear Reaction*.

Fabricated Demands

Firm peak demand represents the maximum amount of power required by all consumers at a given point in time and must be considered a key factor in determining electrical generating requirements. Between the years ending March 31, 1972 and March 31, 1976, Manitoba firm peak demand for electricity rose by 528,000 kilowatts (approximately 30%) according to the 1976 Annual Report of Manitoba Hydro. The space heating power requirement for an average suburban house is 16 kilowatts. Apartment units require less than this. About 31,000 electrically heated home units (both homes and apartments) were built during this period. The resulting increase in space heating accounted for at least 50% of the increase in firm peak demand during that period.

Certain evidence would indicate that the alleged "demand" for electrical space heating has been caused largely by the lack of an integrated Canadian energy policy and by the promotion of "electrification" by Manitoba Hydro. In fact the current policy of the Manitoba Housing and Renewal Corporation is to heat most new public housing electrically.

It would appear reasonable to accept the conclusion of a paper prepared by the Planning Secretariat of Cabinet of the Manitoba Government that "the Manitoba Hydro policy of encouraging conversion to electric space heating is largely responsible for the projections of a required growth rate of (electrical) generating capacity." In other words,

Manitoba Hydro appears to be creating the demand on which forecasts "proving" the "necessity" of nuclear power are based.

In Manitoba during the last few years annual growth rates for electricity have dropped and this last year there was no growth in electrical consumption. Hydro has attributed this to the present economic recession, incidentally, which they have significantly contributed by borrowing large amounts of capital from outside the country to fund the capital intensive hydro projects.

A major question now is whether Hydro will try to reduce these losses by stimulating more electrical consumption or by increasing the electrical rates or perhaps a combination of both. Either way you and I will pay more and the real villains like INCO will continue to be subsidized. This leads to Myth No. 4.

Myth IV

The rich pay more for the energy than the poor.

Certainly as percent of income this is obviously false and I have included a chart which shows how dramatic the disparity is between low and high income earners. This is a fact which is often ignored when higher priced energy is used to encourage people to conserve. At present, the poor pay 25% of their income toward energy and unless tax credits were provided increasing prices for energy will only aggravate the existing situation.

Comparing in more absolute terms the existing electrical rate structure we find the poor subsidizing the large corporations. You and I pay considerably more per unit of energy consumed than the large corporate consumers. If governments are concerned about reducing energy consumption then high volume users should pay more not less.

Myth V

Nuclear Energy is a cheap, safe source of electricity.

The nuclear industry in Canada has been stating this for many years but recently this statement has been challenged

as critics expose mismanagement and misrepresentation, technical errors and outright financial incompetence within the nuclear industry. As I have pointed out previously, nuclear energy is the most capital intensive electric utility that has ever existed and creates fewer jobs per dollar invested than any other energy supply system.

In Canada the industry has received massive tax subsidies to cover research and development costs, rapid escalating capital costs, losses on foreign sales (over \$20 million lost on the sale of CANDU reactor to Argentina) and kickback payments to sales agents (AECL is still trying to account for \$18 million).

The economies of nuclear were getting so bleak that the Canadian government and several Canadian uranium suppliers have resorted to price fixing. It's interesting to note that because Canada has no Freedom of Information legislation, Canadians could not get access to government documents but the United States Congressional Committee on Oversight and Investigations (through the U.S. Freedom of Information Legislation) has recently been exposing the Canadian governments role in the uranium price fixing cartel.

Capital costs for CANDU systems have been escalating considerably higher than inflation costs and this doesn't include all the hidden costs associated with nuclear such as stringent security of fuels and operating plants, decommissioning (dismantling the reactor after its 25-30 year lifetime) and disposal of radioactive wastes (some wastes have to be isolated from all living organisms for 250,000 years).

Considering these costs, are nuclear plants really worth the risks? Wouldn't the money be better spent on energy conservation and the development of renewable energy resources?

Myth VI

We will be freezing in the dark if we don't continue to expand the nuclear energy program.

More likely the reverse is true, we will be freezing in the dark if we attempt to build nuclear plants to meet the AECL's projected energy demand since nuclear consumes more energy than it produces during the building phase. For example, if one plant is started each successive year and it takes five years to complete (this is a low estimate), it will be thirteen years before there is a net output of energy. More energy has gone into building the plants than they have generated during this time. The AECL is predicting an exponential demand in energy growth which even further lengthens the time period before we get any net output of energy.

All centralized electricity generation systems are vulnerable to blackouts and nuclear has even greater problems because of the long repair time

necessary in contaminated areas. If a reactor goes down in the winter we might find ourselves burning candles and old furniture for heat and light. If, and I pray not, a reactor had a major accident the devastation of people and environment would leave the survivors freezing in the dark.

Myth VII

Solar energy cannot make any significant contribution to our energy supply for the near future.

Wood, which is a renewable form of solar energy if well managed, is presently providing the same primary energy as nuclear (although not as high grade) with no research and development investment while nuclear has devoured over \$2 billion. The present research and development priorities of both federal and provincial governments with perhaps the exception of Prince Edward Island are shewed drastically toward nuclear (federal nuclear research and development and \$90 million (1977) total federal renewable energy research and development \$3 million (1977)). If the research and development priorities were shifted toward conservation and renewable sources we would see a dramatic improvement in the economic viability of renewable energy sources.

The most efficient way for solar energy to replace dwindling supplies of fossil fuels is to match the solar technology to the end point energy use. To heat your home with electricity generated from a nuclear reactor is like cutting butter with a chain saw. The source and end point use are not matched since temperatures in a nuclear reactor reach thousands of degrees while we only need a temperature of 100 degrees Celsius for space heating. For this application of a combination of central heating using wood or garbage combined with solar collection would be a better match.

Armory Louis has done a study for the Science Council of Canada, *Exploring Energy Efficient Futures for Canada*. His analysis is based on this concept of energy matching, in scientific terminology, called "thermodynamic matching", and he concludes that Canada could choose an energy future with no nuclear and no fossil fuels. Although this scenario would require major initiatives in reducing energy waste and applying technical fixes (wringing the maximum amount of useful work out of each unit of energy) in industry, commerce, transport and residential sectors, he argues that this type of projection presents a wide range of social and political choices not presently seen. He criticizes the ad hoc incremental energy planning of present because it obscures possible choices about our energy future. The seven energy myths are only a small sampling of the lies and halftruths that are being perpetuated by government and industry.

CEGEP...

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Hall said the ruling as set out in the letter is aimed at "people who aren't full-time students but may be in a position of political leadership".

Both Hall and students say the ruling allows administrations to expel students negligent in attending classes or who have attended a CEGEP for a number of years. And both Hall and the students agree that political activists often subordinate class attendance to political work and may be part-time students for a number of years in order to be full-time student activists.

The Dawson College student newspaper, the *Plant*, said the letter explaining the directive says political movements at CEGEPs are usually instigated by people who have acquired a "permanent" status at the school. These "permanents", it continues, are often only vaguely attached to the school as either graduates or part-time students.

On the other hand, Pierre Roy, assistant to Education Minister Jacques-Yvan Morin, said he had never heard of the ruling. So did an academic dean of one of Montreal's CEGEPs.

ANEQ Secretary-treasurer François Desbiens said the ruling was used to expel seven students from CEGEP St-Jean in January. The students were involved in the cafeteria occupation there last November. Two of them were high ranking officials in ANEQ.

Today...

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Physiology Students Association:

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English Literature Association:
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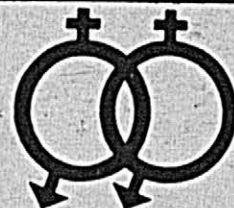
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